SENATE BILL 3182

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to medical malpractice liability involving emergency room

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-51-105(a)(5), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (5)(C):

(C) On and after July 1, 2010, as part of duties relating to provider profiles, the board of medical examiners shall collect information concerning medical malpractice actions relating to care rendered in an emergency room and the role, if any, played by the federal Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act. On or before July 1, 2012, the board shall analyze this information and report on issues and trends it finds in such information as it relates to medical malpractice liability to the judiciary committees of the senate and house of representatives.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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